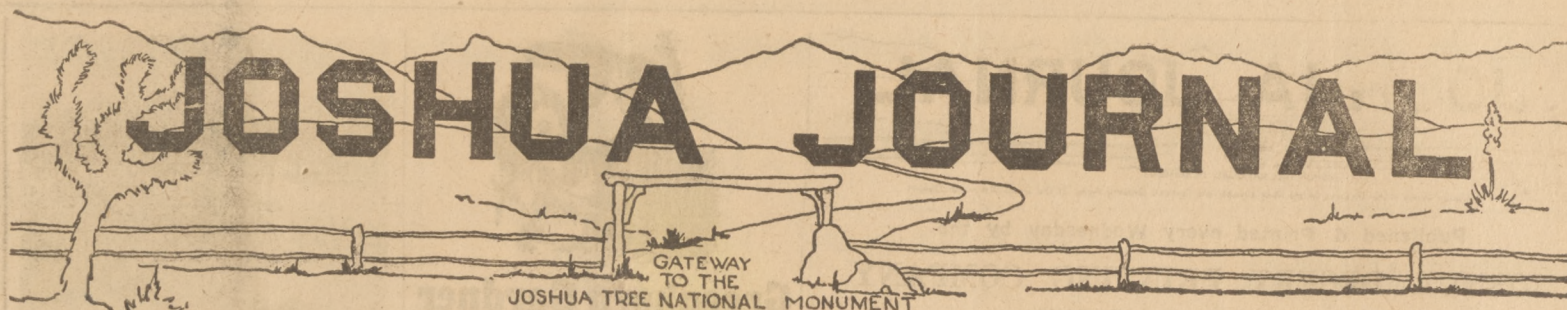


Latest Rumor on Section 13 Dept.

"Section 13 rumor takes a rest this week while we chase down a 'hot' humor that MGM Studios plan to build a studio for outdoor locale here, to escape the smog."



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Agricultural School Needs Students

SUNFAIR — The planned Agricultural School for the Joshua Monument Desert under the G. I. Bill schooling program, still needs more students before it is approved for this area. So far only ten have signed up for the school and eighteen is the minimum requirement before an instructor can be assigned, according to Mr. Roth, Agriculture instructor, who has been commissioned to set up the course here.

In a meeting last Saturday night at the Sportsman's Hall in Joshua Tree, Mr. Hayes, supt. of the Twentynine Palms High School addressed a group of interested poultry men who had met to sign up for the school. Mr. Hayes read a letter from Kenneth B. Cutler, Veterans administrator, which stated that no school could be formed here unless it was under a diversified farming course, that no specialization school would be permitted under present rulings. This means that the course cannot be limited to poultry alone, but must include also: farm planning, soil conservation, farm mechanics, marketing, record keeping, crop planting, and several other phases of the farm program.

Only veterans of World War II will be permitted to enroll and obtain Veterans Administration subsistence under the plan. Single men will receive sixty-five dollars a month, married men ninety dollars a month with slight added compensations for children. All students must either own their own farms or be employed full time on a farm to receive full benefits. Students are allowed to earn up to two-hundred and ten dollars a month in addition to their subsistence (providing that money is earned either in farm profits or salary on a farm.)

Classes will be held at least once a week and for four hours per week. Students will be allowed to miss only three classes in a year. Veterans must have had ninety days service or more to be eligible and have had an honorable discharge.

Those interested in applying for this schooling can get applications from Mr. Hayes at the Twentynine Palms High School. A certificate of eligibility is first required; this can be obtained at the nearest Veterans Administration office (take along the original copies of your discharge papers.)

Additional information will be published at a later date.

Hutch Sez:

"People are different, but beyond the difference lies a Oneness."

Baseline Highway Association, Inc.

YUCCA VALLEY — Annual meeting of the Baseline Highway was held in Yucca Valley on the 19th. Approximately 100 members were present and after routine business had been handled, new officers were elected, as follows: Dr. D. C. Williams, President; B. F. Arnold, Vice President; W. C. Lindsay, Secretary; F. F. Branthoover, Treasurer.

Three directors from each community were elected also. Those from Joshua Tree are John L. Duncan, Jack Crane, and Meredith Willey; Yucca Valley, Art Goodwin, John Headley, Jack Phoenix; Pioneertown, Curt Bush, A. E. Thompson, Don Jones; Morongo Valley, D. F. Geil, Pat O'Neil, Ralph Gordon.

Annual dues were reduced from \$5.00 to \$2.00 which, with an expected membership of 500, will give sufficient funds to carry on the year's activities. Now, more than ever, as our endeavors are being rewarded, we need YOUR support! In numbers there is strength — and the cost is small. Pay YOUR \$2.00 to Treasurer Branthoover.

Nurses Wanted

SAN BERNARDINO — Register-nurses are needed immediately at the County Hospital, according to Sam R. Wyland, Personnel Director. Starting salary for a bedside nurse is \$210, with periodic increases to a \$244 top. Other nursing positions open start at \$221, \$232, and \$244, with respective maximums of \$256, \$269, and \$282.

A minimum requirement for the bedside nurse is completion of three years' training and registration with California State Board of Nurses' Examiners. Additional training and education is needed for the other positions.

Application should be made at the Civil Service Office, 242 Third Street, San Bernardino.

Community Ass'n.

JOSHUA TREE — The regular monthly meeting of the Community Association was held in the Community Hall last Thursday evening, with president Jack Branthoover presiding. The attendance was good, and after the business was finished, two very interesting travel films in color were shown.

You owe it to yourself and to your community to attend these meetings. Many things of great importance will come before the Association during the summer. Show your interest in community affairs by attending these meetings, voicing your suggestions, offering constructive criticisms and your help in order to build a bigger and better Joshua Tree.

Join Your Community Association!

Lions Club Installation

YUCCA VALLEY — The Yucca Valley Lions Club will have installation of officers at an installation dinner in Pioneertown at the Golden Stallion, Thursday, June 22nd. The affair will be a "ladies night" with Lions bringing their wives and lady friends as guests. There will be entertainment following the dinner and installation.

New officers to be installed are Tom Humphreys, president; D. F. Deil, 1st vice president; James Freeman, 2nd vice president; T. Thompson, 3rd vice president; Clay Tunstall, secretary-treasurer; Sonny Laine, "Lion Tamer," Caebert, "Tail-Twister."

New directors are Tommy Bouchey, Art Goodwin, Curt Bush, Jules Boldizar, Bob McCown, district governor, will be the installing officer.

LIGHTED FOUNTAIN TO BE ERECTED IN JOSHUA TREE

JOSHUA TREE—HIDDEN RIVER RANCHOS takes pleasure in announcing that work will soon be started on a unique perpetual fountain, to be erected in front of their office at 213 East Twentynine Palms Highway.

It will be approximately six feet in height built of mineral rocks. As the sparkling water gushes out of a concealed three inch spout, it will stream over two circles of steps, then splash into a basin from which it will be forced back into the pipe, so that there will be a continual waterfall.

In the evening the fountain will be illuminated by concealed colored lights, which will make it a startling attraction to all passers-by. Truly a sight which will be long remembered by everyone who sees it and undoubtedly it will draw many visitors to Joshua Tree from all parts of the country as more and more people hear about it. In addition, "Welcome to JOSHUA TREE" will be on a sign across the roof of their building so that all and sundry will be sure to know they saw this brilliant spectacle in Joshua Tree.

This is indeed a striking manner in which to publicize the abundance of pure water in this desert area!

Legion Election June 28th

YUCCA VALLEY — Election of officers for the Yucca Valley Legion Post 469 will be held Wednesday, June 28th, at a special meeting. A pot-luck dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. The regular meeting night Tuesday, June 20th, will be postponed. Plans for the big 4th of July celebration are being made and a real time is expected.

Journal Prints Its Own Publication

'It's Agin' the Law'

LOS ANGELES — The recent transportation strike in Los Angeles prompted someone to thumb through a lot of musty laws on street cars, and they brought up this number: It is against the law to shoot rabbits from the rear platform of a moving street car. Recently the law was brought up for repeal, but the crusading councilman forgot where he'd originally found the law.

(Which reminds us that it might be a good law to repeal around here, since the rabbits have become so numerous lately as to be a nuisance.)

We also have the street cars to shoot at the rabbits from the rear platform of! Incidentally isn't it time those unsightly eye-sores were grown over with vines, or something? The transportation strike in L.A. may produce some more obsolete cars, if it continues very long, BUT PLEASE, you five-acre homesteaders, don't drag any more street cars out from L.A. for habitations. It's agin' th' law! — Ed.)

New Grocer Here

YUCCA VALLEY — George and Mary Evanoff, formerly of Bell Gardens, are the new proprietors of the former Nelson's Market in Yucca Valley. The Evanoffs, who were in the grocery business in Bell Gardens for many years bought out the Nelson interest last month.

After several trips to Yucca Valley the Evanoffs decided they liked the climate and the business location, so they moved in. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson have no definite plans at present, but they will stay around a while. Mrs. Ruth English will be the checker and Charlie's smiling face and skilled hands will still be at the meat counter.

Opening hours at the B & M Market will be from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. week days and from 9 to 12 noon on Sundays.

Grease Monkey

MORONGO VALLEY — Orville's Garage opens this week in Morongo Valley to herald the beginning of a new super-service for the Valley. Welcher and Scott, formerly at the Chevron Service in Yucca Valley will be in full operation some time in July, it is hoped. The new station will include the garage, gas pumps, picnic tables and rest rooms when finished.

NOTICE TO DEPOSITORS — CHANGE IN BANKING HOURS

Beginning July 3, 1950, the Joshua Monument National Bank of Twentynine Palms will be open for business from 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. on week days, and from 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. on Saturdays.

JOSHUA TREE — Last week's issue of the Joshua Journal was printed by the staff of the Journal on its own press. On equipment purchased from the Stuarts of Yucca Valley, Ray Rees and Martel Ferris, publishers of the Joshua Journal printed the first edition ever to be made of the Journal in its home office. Here-to-fore the Journal has been printed at the Beacon Printery in Redlands. At present the linotype work will continue to be done by the Beacon shop, but all stone work and press work will be done in Joshua Tree. Due to mechanical difficulties encountered, the presswork was delayed and the Journal was not distributed until Thursday; usual distribution takes place on Wednesday. Some of our subscribers may have gotten a badly printed copy, but it was unavoidable since we used all our surplus stock in printing the paper. We think we have most of the "bugs" licked and can get this week's issue out on time, even if we have to stay up all night again.

The deadline for all copy is Sunday noon.

Road to Salton View Closed Temporarily

TWENTYNINE PALMS — Due to oiling operations on the six miles of road from Salton View back to the road junction in Lost Horse Valley this section will be closed from Monday, June 19 thru Friday, June 23.

During the above period visitors will be able to make the loop trip through the Monument from Joshua Tree to Twentynine Palms, or vice versa, but they will not be able to drive up to Salton View.

Travelers over the Pinto Basin Road may be temporarily delayed due to oiling operations during the next two weeks. However, the road will not be closed for more than an hour at any one time.

Anyone having occasion to give information to Monument visitors is requested to advise of the above conditions.

FRANK R. GIVENS,
Superintendent

"WALK-A-THON"

JOSHUA TREE — The Rotarians ball club of Twentynine Palms indulged in a "walk-a-thon" last game with the Joshua Tree Cubs. Score 22 to 15, favor of the Rotarians. Next game is with the Lions on the 21st.

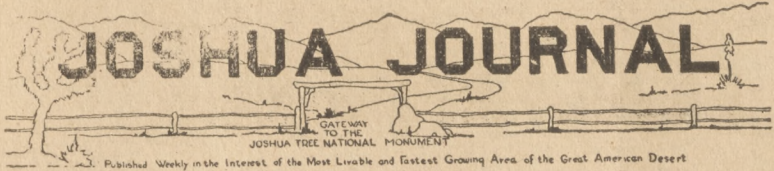
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Last week's edition of the Joshua Journal was a collector's item, having the dubious distinction of being the first one printed on our own press. As to its value as a collector's piece we hesitate to set a price. Whether it was worth its newsstand sale-value of a nickel is even open to question. However, we did it with our own little hands, and we're proud of the fact, even if the quality was a bit on the rough side. It took us forty hours to do a four hour job, but we had a lot of "bugs" to iron out. If someone had offered us the salvage value of our press, about 4 a.m. Tuesday, we'd have taken a personal note for it, there and then. But Ray seems to have licked most of the problems, so we should have this week's edition out on time. We hope!

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Those of you who looked for your name in "Operation Bonus" last week, were doubtless disappointed, because we just didn't print one. We were curious to find out if it is receiving your attention, so we omitted a bonus name. This week's winner gets \$2, instead of the usual \$1.

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Beginning in this week's issue: PEGLEG SMITH'S Gold Mine! A story of the most fabulous gold strike in the West. The first gold discovered by white men in California, found and lost many times, but still eluding its seekers. According to those who have seen it, tons of gold nuggets are lying loose on top of the ground, and are still there awaiting some lucky prospector. One man has spent years with the most modern equipment including radar and geiger counters searching the Borego Bad Lands, another claims to have found it and maps of its location (he's still recuperating from his ordeal of being lost without food and water in "Mad Canyon.") Whoever finds Pegleg's claim again will be rich, so the story goes. But read it yourself. The story is on page three, and will be printed in three installments.

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10:25	29 Palms Jct.	3:10
10:30	Whitewater	3:00
10:45	Cabazon	2:45
11:00	BANNING	2:30
Read from Top Down		Read Up

**Greenhorn Gardner**

BY RUTH HALE

A friend of mine is growing many varieties of melons. She not only has to pump the water by hand, but has to carry the water to each hill in a bucket. One day she just felt so tired and didn't feel she could possibly pump another stroke. She walked away from the pump and looked at the garden. There she saw a huge lump of dirt which had been pushed up by a tiny seed. Right then she decided if a small seed was able to break the ground and push its way to the surface she certainly could pump water. Seeing the strength of that seed changed her attitude and gave renewed energy.

Right now would be a good time to think about bulbs for fall planting. If you order your bulbs at this time you will get a better choice and better bulbs. The bulb growers will put you on the list and will send you bulbs at the proper planting time.

As soon as the iris thin down, it is a good idea to separate them and replant. Before replanting be sure you have conditioned the soil. Some gardeners put the bulbs in the refrigerator for a few days; this gives them a change of season.

It isn't too late to plant vegetables or melons. Watch out for aphids this month and spray or dust for other pests. One company puts out a floral dust as well as a garden dust. These dusts not only take care of the various bug pests, but will take care of most plant diseases.

A little over-head watering when the sun is down will keep your plants fresher looking. As it grows warmer it may be necessary to water some plants more than once a day for many of these plants have delicate root systems. In our sandy soil the water seeps downward rapidly and the sun evaporates the top soil.

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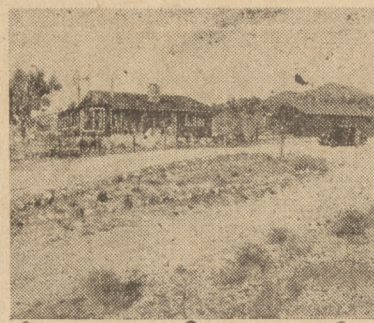
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THE JOSHUAS

Lowly Philosophy

By JUNE LeMERT PAXTON

GOOD INTENTIONS ARE
NOT ENOUGH

At times my mail gets stacked high and I put some of the letters in a small chest under my desk. Surely, I promise myself, I shall answer them soon. But the months go by and many of them remain unanswered.

Several days ago I was sorting out these letters and found one that I especially wanted to answer. This was from a dear old lady who, although nationally known and prominent in many civic affairs, still took time to write letters of good cheer and inspiration to me. I placed her letter on top of the bundle; hers would be the first one on my list to answer.

A few hours later friends came up from Palm Springs; the first thing they said to me was, "June, your friend, Nellie Coffman, has passed over!" Nellie Coffman, the beloved Mother of Palm Springs Village; and it was she to whom I was going to write!

Perhaps this incident was uncovered to me through the Universal Mind both as a chider and as a challenge. A chider to remind me that good intentions are not enough; — and as a challenge that I should strive to do better in the future!

Morongo Notes

Harry Wheeler, of Joshua Tree, Floyd. A boulder had shut off Floyd. A boulder had shut off the water level in the old hole and Wheeler cleaned it out and added forty-five more feet of good water.

Ruth Hale, our Greenhorn Gardener is in the hospital at Twentynine Palms. A line or two would be appreciated. . . . Rumor about a big sanitarium going in above the west end of the valley. Is it true, Mr. Geil?

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Hi Neighbors! Personal Plug Department: Just wanted to say thanks to all the very nice people who re-elected us as the Honorary Mayor of Pacoima for another year. This we appreciate, and will try to do a good job for all concerned. . . . thanks. And just to make our week complete, we've been working in a Western to end all Westerns. . . . the stars of the epic were the THREE STOOGES. . . . Moe, Shemp and Larry. For what we did to the western scene in this pic. . . GENE AUTRY, ROY ROGERS & HOPPY can all sue us for our saddle!

HOUSE PETERS, JR., one of our better young actors, may be getting the break he has so long deserved. House has been set for a top role with GENE AUTRY & The Mounties" and is getting some good publicity on it. Memory item: Some 20 years ago his dad, House Peters, Sr., gained fame in a similar role with Virginia Valli in "The Storm."

IT ALWAYS HAPPENS: 50 midshipmen from Annapolis visited Warner Brothers' studio the other day. . . . and what picture did they get to see in the making. Yep, THE WEST POINT STORY!

VERA VAGUE, the Honorary Mayor of Woodland Hills, has dreamed up a stunt that should be nothing but fun! Vera has challenged all of the Valley's Honorary Mayors to a MILKING CONTEST. The date is June 24, and with AL JOLSON, BOB BURNS, ANDY DEVINE and all the rest of us "pulling" for the first prize it should be something to see!

Bill Elliott, often called WILD BILL, is another cowboy who is making nothing but money. Bill owns a gold mine up at Bridgeport, and he tells us that the ore assayed at from \$52.00 to \$1,000 per ton! That will buy a lot of hay for a lot of horses, Bill.

And that is all we know this week about what is going on. . . . IN THE MOVIES.

LETTER TO EDITOR

Dear Folks:

Please send the Journal to San Clemente until I return to Joshua Tree next fall. . . . Don't want to miss any issues as I would like to keep up with Section 13.

Mrs. Dorothy Fly

Eugene L. (Gene) Mueller, Chief of Police for Upland, expresses his humble appreciation to nearly thirty thousand voters who in voting for Gene Mueller for Sheriff clearly indicated that the voters of our great County demand and expect the restoration of dignity, prestige and efficiency in the cause of good government. This, Gene Mueller pledges to all the people in saying "Thank you from the bottom of my heart" for your votes and demonstrated confidence.

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Where Is Pegleg Smith's Lost Mine?

By HARRY OLIVER

"This is the puzzling question which has caused many a fortune hunter to search the desert. Somewhere near three buttes that rise from the burning sands the gold lies easy of access. Wealth waits for the man who can find the spot where seventy years ago a party of weary and thirsty trappers camped over night.

"The story of the lost mine has been told many times, but it has remained for one who is interested in the older West, to sift the facts, and this is the first authentic story ever pieced together;

T'WAS IN THE YEAR OF 1836 . .

"In the year of 1836 a man named Smith, and known as 'Pegleg' Smith because he had lost one of his natural legs and wore a wooden one in its stead, with a party of trappers came from St. Louis to the head of the Colorado River. They followed down that stream to the mouth of the Gila River and then struck off across the desert. From Yuma their course was in a southwesterly direction, across a wide stretch of desert, utterly devoid of vegetation, and with no sign of water or life of any kind. They traveled for three days toward some low hills, but as they pressed on they appeared to recede and be always about the same distance from them. At nightfall on the fourth day, however, they made their camp at the very base of the southernmost of the hills.

"In the dim, fading light they could faintly discern the tops of three small buttes to the northward, toward which a deep canyon led. They were nearly out of water, so one of their number was sent to explore the canyon to see if by any chance a spring of water was there.

"Before long he had climbed to the top of one of the buttes, but had not found a drop of moisture. While at the top of the hill, however, he discovered many loose pieces of black metal, with here and there pieces of some metal showing on the surface of them. He gathered several of the pieces, having the impression that the yellow metal was copper in its native state.

"The trappers camped at the base of the hill that night, and in the morning, by the clear light, they described a high mountain to the northwest. Their supply of water was almost gone, and they felt that their only hope was in reaching this high mountain before what remained of the water had been entirely consumed and they perished from thirst on the burning sands of the desert. The man who had picked up the pieces of black metal on the hilltop gave no thought to them, and the one thought was to reach the mountainside and find water.

"That night they came to the mountain, which all day had seemed just a short way off, and found a spring of cool, clear water. They were saved, and they thought of little else. The mountain was named 'Smith Mountain,' in honor of Pegleg, who was the first to discover it, and bears that name to day.

"At Temecula, where the trappers first stopped, they were told the pieces of black metal found on the three buttes were gold, but the proof was not conclusive until they

Yucca Valley Notes



Ray Royal spent last week-end in Yucca Valley visiting his family. He has just returned from five months on duty in the Pacific, aboard the air-craft carrier Boxer, visiting Japan, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Guam, Korea, Singapore, Formosa, and Hawaii. Ray noted that there is a general feeling of friendliness towards Americans in the Orient, despite Communist rumors to the contrary. Envy of all the locau pool sharks was a beautiful hand-made, white ash, combination cane and pool cue that Ray bought in Japan. . . . Mrs. George Jeffers is recovering from a serious major operation after an illness of several months. . . Two new businesses are scheduled to open in Yucca Valley by July 1st. . . . Don't forget to mark July 4th as the Legion's Annual Barbecue.

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reached San Bernardino and submitted their find to an expert. Even then they did not realize the immensity of their discovery. It must be remembered that this was before 'the days of old, the days of gold, the days of '49.'

(Continued next issue)

Don't Miss the Legion's 4th of July Celebration at Yucca Valley

Mary Heard Recovers

YUCCA VALLEY — Mary Heard, who last week suffered a ruptured blood vessel in her throat was taken to the Good Samaritan Hospital in Los Angeles when physicians at the County Hospital in San Bernardino were unable to give her proper attention.

At latest reports Mary is on the road to recovery after a check-up and rest. An operation was not necessary since the injured tissue healed itself. Those wishing to write, address their letters to Mary Heard, 448 Mill Street, San Bernardino, her mother's home.

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"CHRISTIAN SCIENCE"
SUNDAY LESSON TEXT

"Christian Science" is the Sunday Bible Lesson subject in all branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston. The Golden Text is from Isaiah: "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation."

In the following Scriptural selection from John's Gospel Philip said unto Jesus, "Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? . . . the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works . . . He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father."

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Joshua Tree Notes

Correction: Margaret Bair was designer of the new Community Fountain, not Larry Gray, as stated in last week's article. Larry was draftsman. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Weiser (Bone-head Ranch) gave a flat of pine trees to be planted in the Community Park. We're accepting any donations of money or material for our new park. . . . The Weisers have received notice that they have been selected to man the Mill Creek look-out above Yucaipa for the Forestry Dept. . . . Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Seeley and Jack, of South Gate, spent a couple of days with Mrs. Seeley's aunt, Mrs. R. M. Rees. . . . Sportsmen are having a steak fry at Indian Cove Sunday (let's see, now. That's the night we eat out!) . . . John Bagley of Balboa Beach was a guest of the Herb Longshaws this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Parks and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Sorenson, all of Hollywood, Calif., are visiting Mrs. W. H. Pepper. They brought up an electric refrigerator and installed the same in Mrs. Pepper's trailer. They came Saturday P.M. and left Monday A.M. Mr. Parks is a member of Los Angeles Grand Opera chorus which will present "Faust" for the opening of the Hollywood Bowl for the 1950 season.

Parks is also a member of "The Elizabethans," a mixed voice group which has presented several concerts in and about Los Angeles.

Dr. C. Pederson and her family, Mrs. Christina Sprung (mother-in-law), Miss Tina Thies (sister-in-law), and Valeria Graham spent the weekend at her desert home, the former Hoover residence. Two weeks ago Mr. and Mrs. Willard Graham, daughter and her husband of Dr. Pederson were out to enjoy our desert climate, and stopped by to visit with the Journal staff. . . . Mrs. Guy Peterson just returned from a two weeks visit to Portland where she attended a wedding.

STEAK FRY

JOSHUA TREE — The Sportsman Club is having a steak fry for their wives and guests next Sunday, June 25th, at Indian Cove. Ladies bring a covered dish. The club will furnish the steaks and drinks.

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Sunfair Notes

McClannahan & Bishop managed to arrive with a few of the palm fronds they started with from Indio last Saturday. . . . Perry and Betty Dutton are celebrating their wedding anniversary this week (Tues., that is). Betty can't remember which one. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Haynes were out for the week-end. . . . Virginia Herling made a visit last week in the "meat wagon". . . . Warren's got another 100 poults this week. Added some new fencing and shade. Mrs. Jones is improving from a "strep" throat infection (should stay away from the smoggy city). . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Modlin of L.A. are visiting the Kings. . . . The Saturday night "fun-fest" is getting to be an all night affair. . . . Too bad we'd get sued if we printed the "interesting news." . . . Some eighteen to twenty pound turkeys are strutting around already. . . . Other visitors: Mr. and Mrs. Ross and Morris Chrystal of L.A. were guests of Lester V. Peterman's Sunday. . . . Mrs. Pontius was out to the Hubba-Hubba. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harmon were at their Silver Dollar Rancho.

Prompt Diagnosis Saved California Poultrymen

The recent threat of the Asiatic form of Newcastle disease being introduced into California proves conclusively the value of prompt laboratory diagnosis, according to Farm Advisor Lloyd P. Sharp, of the Agricultural Extension Service.

Mr. Sharp believes the results would have been far more disastrous if the University of California laboratories had not diagnosed Asiatic Newcastle and the disease had been allowed to spread. Newcastle disease (pneumoencephalitis) has been prevalent in the



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United States for the past six years. While it is not so severe as the Asiatic type of Newcastle, it has caused tremendous losses to hatchery and poultrymen. Prompt laboratory diagnosis, good management, and proper vaccination are still the only safeguards against Newcastle disease. The guilty shipment of birds from Hong Kong was discovered before any damage was done and all infected and exposed birds were slaughtered under the supervision of the State Department of Agriculture.

Culling Your Flock

A poultryman recently asked: "how long should I keep my present layers hatched in March and April 1949? Would you sell them this fall or would you keep them through the lay next spring and into the summer of 1951?" These are very intelligent questions. They show that the man has been looking at least a year ahead at his poultry operations.

Successful flock management requires consistent culling. To secure 180 eggs per hen a year, a man must average 15 per hen a month, or a 50 per cent production. His production may be up to 70 per cent for a month or two in the spring when all hens are laying. If his flock average is never allowed to drop below 50 per cent, he will probably average 200 or more eggs per hen a year because of his high spring production. But how can production be kept at 50 per cent or better in the fall?

Following the heavy spring lay, flock production declines like farm prices after a war. The poorest hens go out of production in June and July. Others will follow in August and September, and the best layers of the old hens will be even producing 40 to 50 per cent in October and November. In the meantime, the good poultryman has sold the non-layers as they have gone out of production because of poor breeding or the hot weather. Some people like and use individual hen cages to determine the productiveness of each hen. Others will cull them from their houses weekly from known visible characteristics. They know that the non-laying hen soon develops a shriveled comb, a yellow pigment coloring in her vent, around the eye, and in the beak and shanks. They will note that her pelvic bones are rigid and less pliable than in the heavy layer and that new feathers are developing. (A culling chart will be mailed on request.)

To prove that consistent culling can be done by the experienced poultryman even without individual cages, here are the number of culls sold by one poultry cooperator during the summer of 1949. May 516, June 298, July 240, August 89, September 170, and October 384. Remember that the price of eggs declined in October 1949 and after the drop there were immediate sales of old hens by good poultrymen. A second cooperator showed the following sale of cull hens: May 568, June 235, July 286, August 411, September 211, and 776 in October. Both of these operators held production of old hens above 50 per cent to October. The second flock of nearly 6,000 hens had a production of 54 per cent in May, 56 per cent in June, 57 per cent in July, 53 per cent in August, 50 per cent in September. With consistent culling such as these folks have done, it requires more frequent brooding to raise the pullets that must replace the cull hens. Most of the folks do not cull more heavily because they do not brood often enough. They have not raised pullets that can replace the non-layer and they know that an empty cage or poultry house will not make them any money so they keep feeding and caring for the cull, hoping she will come back and again prove profitable. Commercial egg production is like the race horse game. An animal may be good for one or two year's records. A lot of them do not even make good the first year. Only a few are good for four or five years and

these are the exception and far above the average.

Egg prices this fall may not break in October, but are sure to decline by late November or December. The aggressive poultryman will cull consistently for the next three or four months. He will also plan to brood enough chicks in late August or early September to refill the house with young pullets if he decides to sell his old hens when egg prices decline. He knows that declining egg prices and declining production of the old hens soon make that part of his flock unprofitable. He must decide whether to keep the hens through the winter molt and sell them next summer or to sell them this fall. The low egg prices in the spring usually do not warrant carrying the hens for an added six months. Pullets brooded in August or September this year will lay far more eggs next summer than old hens held over. They will produce an egg of a better shell and interior quality, produce less cracked and more clean eggs, and be able to stand the heat next summer better than the old birds.

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